CITY OF LONG BEACH ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Vice Mayor Bonnie Lowenthal, Chair Gerrie Schipske, Vice Chair Val Lerch, Member



CALL TO ORDER

At 2:10 P.M., Chair Bonnie Lowenthal called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers B. Lowenthal, Schipske and Lerch **Present:**

1. 06-0897 Recommendation to receive testimony from Margarita Campos, City Clerk, City of Burbank regarding that City's transition to citywide mail

ballot elections.

This Agenda Item was receive and file.

Chair Bonnie Lowenthal posed the following questions/statements to Ms. Campos:

- 1. Requested a better understanding of the percentages Margarita mentioned from her presentation.
- 2. What would be the cause/reason for the reduced voter turn-out at the Special Election?
- 3. What evaluation procedures were used by the City Council and members of the public as it relates to the turn out of the vote by mail?
- 4. How did the City designate drop off sites? How many site were available? How did the Saturday voting work out?
- 5. How would vote by mail be carried out for bilingual voters?
- **2.** 06-0898 Rec

Recommendation to receive and file report from the City Clerk relative to voting population totals for jurisdictions conducting vote by mail elections; before and after voter turnout statistics for jurisdictions who have adopted vote-by-mail elections systems; potential cost savings of moving to odd-year elections; election system error margins; and estimated costs for procurement of alternative election systems.

This Agenda Item was laid over.

This agenda item was laid over until the September 19, 2006 meeting.

3. <u>06-08</u>96

Recommendation to receive and discuss the revision of Charter provisions related to listing the names of the successful write-in candidates on the run-off ballot.

This Agenda Item was recommend to City Council that the communication be received and sent to the Charter Amendment Committee for revisions of Charter provisions as it relates to listing the names of the successful write-in candidates on the run-off ballots..

4. 06-0904

Recommendation to receive a presentation from Jim Suver of the Hart Intercivic E-Slate Voting System as used in Orange County, California.

This Agenda Item was receive and file.

5. 06-0901

Recommendation that the Committee discuss interest in site visits to jurisdictions using alternative voting systems being considered by the Committee.

This Agenda Item was receive and file.

6. 06-0902

Recommendation to receive communication from Juanita Millender-McDonald, Member of Congress, regarding the September 18, 2006, U.S. Elections Assistance Commission meeting at CSU Dominguez Hills.

This Agenda Item was receive and file.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Members of the public are invited to address the Committee.

No members of the public addressed the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:03 P.M., there being no objection, Chair Bonnie Lowenthal declared the meeting adjourned.